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1. Damage previously caused by four Nationalist air raids on Liuchou (109-16, 24-18) Airfield had not been repaired by 31 October 1950.* The Civil Aeronautics Administration of the Revolutionary Military Council designated it as a "regular airport" in September, and 30 ground crew personnel from the China National Aviation Corporation and the Central Air Transport Corporation were stationed there.
2. At the end of October CHIANG Ai-p'ing, his staff, the political department, troops under his command, and a fleet of 17 vessels arrived at Shanghai following the order by the Revolutionary Military Council that the East China Navy Command move from Nanking to Shanghai.** The highest naval command remaining in Nanking is the Chiangning (11 1/2) Fortress command.

* [] Comment. [] reported that Chinese Communist authorities ordered runway expansion and additional hanger construction for an airfield at Liuchou as of October 1950.

*** [] Comment. [] and references, for previous information on the transfer of this naval headquarters from Nanking to Shanghai.

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